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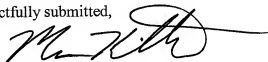
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Sir:

Per applicant's telephone conversation with Examiner Wong and a representative attorney from the United States Patent Office legal department on December 18, 2008 regarding the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal submitted with an improper form of a digital signature to the United States Patent Office via EFS-Web on December 17, 2008, for the above-identified application, applicants submit this letter and the attached properly signed RCE Transmittal form to ratify the previously submitted RCE Transmittal form.

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